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1. SUMMARY: THE E-SYSTEMS CONTRACT WITH THE GOM/OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG) IS IN ITS ELEVENTH MONTH. EMBASSY JUDGES IT PROPITIOUS TIME FOR AN ON-SITE MANAGEMENT/PERFORMANCE TYPE REVIEW AND ANALYSIS OF CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE SINCE INCEPTION OF CONTRACT. AG EXECUTIVE OFFICER BAEZA STRONGLY ENDORSES THIS COURSE OF ACTION AS THEY ARE ALSO OBLIGATED TO THEIR GOVERNMENT TO COMPLY WITH AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTIVE WHICH REQUIRES PERIODIC EVALUATIONS OF ALL FEDERAL ACTIVITY. EMBASSY REQUESTS APPROVAL FOR DESCRIBED ACTION BE CONDUCTED BY DEFENSE CONTRACT ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES PLANT REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE (DCASPRO) IN CONJUNCTION WITH DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY (DCAA) TO BE PERFORMED IN MEXICO CITY AND CULIACAN DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE. BOTH ARE USG AGENCIES WITH RESIDENT PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO E-SYSTEMS, GREENVILLE, TEXAS. END SUMMARY.

2. NAU CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR ADVISOR WILLIAMS CONFERRED WITH E-SYSTEMS OFFICERS IN GREENVILLE, TEXAS RELATIVE TO
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A THIRD PARTY AUDIT OF CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE IN MEXICO. THIS DISCUSSION UNDERTAKEN AT THE BEHEST OF SPECIFIC REQUEST SINCE NOVEMBER, 1977, BY AG OFFICE CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR UGALDE AND TO MEET REQUIREMENTS DISCUSSED AND AGREED TO BY USG LEGAL AND TECHNICAL GROUP DURING PRELIMINARY CONTRACT DISCUSSIONS IN JUNE 1977.

3. E-SYSTEMS SERV-AIR DIVISION PRESIDENT CLAUDE MORRIS SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY OF DEFENSE CONTRACT ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES PLANT REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE RESIDENT GREENVILLE REPRESENTATIVE AS POSSIBLE SOURCE OF SUCH AUDIT. SIMULTANEOUSLY, IF ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE, DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY WOULD PROVIDE A COST/FISCAL AUDIT FOR ALL FIXED FEE AND REIMBURSABLE EXPENDITURES TO DATE. AUDITS WOULD BE PERFORMED IN MEXICO CITY AND CULIACAN AS SOON AS COULD BE ARRANGED, PREFERABLY DURING MONTH OF JUNE 1978.

4. DCASPRO REPRESENTATIVE IN GREENVILLE, TEXAS, DIVISION OF E-SYSTEMS, HAS INDICATED PROBABLE AVAILABILITY OF PERSONNEL TO CONDUCT AUDIT FOR A TWO TO THREE WEEK PERIOD ANY TIME AFTER JUNE 1. EMBASSY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS USE OF DCASPRO SINCE THEY ARE A USG AGENCY THOROUGHLY AND CURRENTLY FAMILIAR WITH E-SYSTEMS CORPORATE STRUCTURE, ON-GOING PROGRAMS AND PROCEDURES, AND HAVE EXPERTISE IN SIMILAR TYPES OF CONTRACTS. PAYMENT TO ANOTHER USG AGENCY WOULD PRECLUDE NEGOTIATION OF A CONTRACT AS WOULD BE NECESSARY WITH A PRIVATE FIRM.

5. DEPARTMENT MAY RECALL EMBASSY TASKED DEFENSE CONTRACT AUDIT AGENCY TO CONDUCT A PREVIOUS SEMI-ANNUAL AUDIT. DCAA HAS INDICATED WILLINGNESS AND AVAILABILITY SUBJECT TO PRIOR APPROVAL OF REGIONAL OFFICE HEADQUARTERS IN UNCLASSIFIED

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ATLANTA. COST OF REQUESTED AUDITS TO BE CHARGED AGAINST PROJECT FUNDING. EMBASSY AMENABLE TO ANY OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED BY DEPARTMENT, HOWEVER, RECOMMENDED COURSE OF ACTION APPEARS TO BE MOST EXPEDITIOUS AND COST EFFECTIVE.

6. REQUESTED ACTION;;; THAT DEPARTMENT APPROVE REQUEST AND AUTHORIZE EMBASSY TO PROCEED. ADVISE. LUCEY

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